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Sir:

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the listed documents on the attached PTO SB/08 Form. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination in the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed foreign documents and nonpatent literature documents are attached. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form. English-language abstracts of the non-English documents are enclosed.

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corresponding application citing these documents and setting forth the relevance thereof is enclosed.

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